

MATCHING FUNDS 2000-2004

	2000**	2002*	2004**
Non-Participating Candidate Expenditures	\$362,265	\$3,054,489	\$686,065
Independent Expenditures	\$0	\$1,811,073	\$514,518
Total Matching	\$362,265	\$4,865,562	\$1,200,583

*Statewide and Legislative Races

**Corp Commission and Legislative Races

Participating candidates may be entitled to matching funding if their nonparticipating opponent in the same party primary election makes expenditures in excess of the primary election spending limit or for independent expenditures. Nonparticipating candidates are required to file campaign finance reports when they reach certain spending and contribution thresholds. The CCEC uses the reports to determine when matching funds are due to participating candidates.

A person who makes independent expenditures related to a particular office shall file reports with the Secretary of State in accordance with A.R.S. § 16-958 whenever certain triggering thresholds are met. A.R.S. § 16-941(D). An independent expenditure is an expenditure by a person or political committee, other than a candidate's campaign committee, that:

- Expressly advocates the election or defeat of a clearly identified candidate;
 - Is made without cooperation or consultation with any candidate or committee or agent of the candidate; and
 - Is not made in concert with or at the request or suggestion of a candidate, or any committee or agent of the candidate.
- A.R.S. § 16- 901(14).